

The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin

**Red Herring**—leads us away from solving the mystery...a fake clue

**Blind Alley**- a clue that leads you along but stops at a dead end

**To prove a murder**

1. **Motive**—why someone did it
2. **Means**- how someone committed the crime
3. **Opportunity**- available to commit the crime

Ellen Raskin was born in Milwaukee and uses Racine and places there in her novel

1. Westingtown=Racine
2. Westing Paper Corporation=Johnson Wax
3. Westing mansion=Wingspread